

# **BIOGRAPHY**

### UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

## James Y. Parker



James Y. Parker is the Supervisory General Engineer for the Director, Investments Directorate at Arnold Engineering Development Center (AEDC), Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn. He is responsible for directing the investment program to sustain and modernize the test facility infrastructure and to improve AEDC's test capabilities. In addition, he manages the Center's systems engineering process including the 1-n requirements priority process.

Parker entered the federal civil service at AEDC in January 1981 and has worked in various organizations within the system since then. In September 1995, he accepted a one-year temporary assignment as the principal DoD acquisition manager for the joint NASA, DoD, and Industry National Wind Tunnel Complex (\$3.2 billion) acquisition program.

In September 1999 he accepted another temporary assignment as the Technical Area Manager of AEDC's

1600-person test support contract (\$125 million/year), assisting in managing and directing the operations, maintenance and improvement of ground test facilities (\$200 million/year). In this capacity, he co-chaired the Reengineering Advisory Group that is leading an effort to reengineer all of AEDC's major processes.

#### **EDUCATION:**

1970 Bachelor degree in Aerospace Engineering, Auburn University, Auburn, Ala.

1980 Master degree in Aerospace Engineering, University of Tennessee Space Institute, Tullahoma, Tenn.

#### **ASSIGNMENTS:**

- 1. January 1971-May 1973, engineer, Northrop Services, Inc., Huntsville, Ala.
- 2. May 1973-December 1980, project engineer & systems analyst, Sverdrup/ARO, Inc., Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn.
- 3. January 1981-September 1984, aerospace engineer (Chief, Space Systems Branch, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn.

- 4. September1984-March 1985, aerospace engineer, Chief Space Systems Division, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn.
- 5. March 1985-August 1988, aerospace engineer, Chief, Space Systems Division, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn.
- 6. August 1988-September 1995, acquisition manager, Program Director/Chief, Test Facility Acquisition Division, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn.
- 7. September 1995-September 1996, acquisition manager, Systems Integration Engineer, National Wind tunnel Complex, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn.
- 8. September 1996-November 1996, acquisition manager, Chief Support Facilities Division, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn.
- 9. November 1996-December 1997, general engineer, Business Management Division, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn.
- 10. December 1997-September 1999, supervisory general engineer, Chief Business Management, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Arnold Air Force Station, Tenn. (same as current position)
- 11. September 1999 to December 1999, aerospace engineer, Technical Area Manager, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn.
- 12. December 1999-April 2001, supervisory general engineer, Chief, Business Management Division, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn.
- 13. April 2001-September 2002, supervisory general engineer, Chief Investments Division, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn.
- 14. September 2002-Present, Supervisory General Engineer, Director, Investments Directorate, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

- 1992 Certified Acquisition Professional, Level III Test and Evaluation
- 1992 Certified Acquisition Professional, Level III Program Management

#### **SPECIALIZED TRAINING:**

- 1987 Management Development Seminar, OPM EDC, Denver, Colo.
- 1987 Executive Development Seminar, OPM EDC Oak Ridge, Tenn.
- 1992 DSMC Program Management Course, Fort Belvoir, Va.